

Year 1 Newsletter

Friday 10th November 2023

Dear Parent / Carer,

In Phonics, our sounds this week have been 'a-e' as in make, 'o-e' as in bone, 'i-e' as in time and 'u-e' as in rude and cube. These graphemes are called split vowel digraphs where one letter goes in between the two vowels. Our tricky words for the week have been: should, could, would, our. These are the words the children need to be able to sight read.

In Maths, we have looked at different ways to partition numbers e.g. $9=4+5$, $9=6+3$ or $3+6=9$, $5+4=9$. We have also been learning the pairs to 10 and looking at different ways we can represent this using, ten frames, part whole models and number sentences. Please encourage your child to practice these so that they can instantly say which two numbers make 10 when added together e.g. $1+9=10$, $2+8=10$, $3+7=10$. Next week, we will begin a unit on subtraction.

In History, we continued to investigate our personal history using photographs. We discussed changes over time and gained a greater understanding of chronology. We enjoyed making our own memory box and drawing three memories to place in our box.

In RE, we finished our unit on 'Which books and stories are special'. We discussed the messages we could learn from special books and how they can make a difference in our lives by following examples from stories. As a class, we made a wishing tree. Each child wrote a wish for the wishing tree, based on how we should live our lives.

Finally, on **Friday 17th November**, we will be taking part in Odd Sock Day to celebrate Anti-Bullying Week. Children are invited to wear odd socks to help celebrate our differences - spotty/colourful & striped socks are all welcome!

Many Thanks

Miss Hepworth and Miss Nicholson

